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Education

Eligibility of clerks in the District Educational Council's service for counting their previous service on transfer to Government service.

* 1302 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the District Educational Council, Kurnool, has made a recommendation that all the clerks in the District Educational Council's service who are eligible for public service may be allowed to count the service thereat when they get into other departments of Government; and

(b) if so, what action the Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The Government have expressed their inability to accept the recommendation for the following reasons:—

(i) that District Educational Councils are non-official bodies like local boards and municipalities whose servants have not been accorded any similar privileges;

(ii) that the general provident fund applicable to teachers in non-pensionable service has been made applicable to clerks employed in the offices of the District Educational Councils; and

(iii) that the proposals involve additional liability to Government in respect of pensionary charges.

Introduction of rural primary education in Saidapet taluk.

* 1303 Q.—Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) why the inauguration on 17th November 1928 of the scheme of rural compulsory primary education in the Saidapet taluk took place in Poonamallee which is in the Sriperumbudur taluk;

(b) whether circulars were issued to teachers in all or some of the primary schools in the Sriperumbudur taluk to bring children to Poonamallee to attend the function, and whether children were actually brought to Poonamallee; and

(c) what was the object of getting children to attend the function?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) The Government have no information, but have called for it.

Appointment of Assistant Professors for Languages in Government Colleges.

* 1304 Q.—Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state whether the Government propose to appoint Assistant Professors for languages in the Madras Presidency College and in the other Government colleges in view of the fact that languages have been made compulsory in the Arts courses in the Madras University?